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SUBJ: EUROPEAN-LATIN AMERICAN ECONOMIC CONFERENCE IN URUGUAY

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SUMMARY:

1. THE ECONOMIC CONFERENCE BETWEEN LATIN AMERICA AND THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC COMMUNITY (EC) OPENS TODAY (MARCH 4) AT PUNTA DEL ESTE. ORGANIZED BY THE SEMI-OFFICIAL, ROME-BASED ITALIAN-LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE (ILAI), THE THREE DAY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONFERENCE IS SUPPOSED TO DISCUSS THE E.C.'S GENERALIZED

TARIFF PREFERENCES FOR LATIN AMERICA AND FINANCIAL AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO AREAS, IT HAS BEEN CAREFULLY LABELLED AS A DELIBERATIVE CONFERENCE WHICH IS NOT EXPECTED TO MAKE ANY POLITICAL DECISIONS.

2. THE ILAI, HEADED BY ITS PRESIDENT, AMBASSADOR ALEJANDRO DEUSTUA OF PERU, AND ITS SECRETARY-GENERAL AMBASSADOR VINCENTE TORNETTA OF ITALY, IS SERVING AS THE SECRETARIAT FOR THIS CONFERENCE AND HAS SEEN TO IT THAT SEVERAL RECENT PRESS CONFERENCES HAVE GIVEN THE MEETING ADVANCE PUBLICITY LOCALLY. THE GOU DELEGATION IS HEADED BY FONMIN BLANCO AND INCLUDES MINISTER ETCHEVERRY OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE ARGENTINE DELEGATION IS HEADED BY FONMIN VIGNES, AND THAT SEVERAL OTHER LATIN AMERICAN DELEGATIONS ARE HEADED BY CABINET MINISTERS. OUTSIDE OF THE ILAI ITSELF, THE EUROPEAN REPRESENTATION SEEMS TO CONSIST OF EC OFFICIALS.

3. IT IS PREDICTED HERE THAT THE EC WILL FACE COMPLAINTS FROM SEVERAL LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES ABOUT THE OPERATION OF EC TARIFF PREFERENCES, WHICH REPORTEDLY HAVE BENEFITTED LATIN AMERICA SCANTILY. SOUTH AMERICA'S MEAT-EXPORTING COUNTRIES (INCLUDING URUGUAY) ARE EXPECTED TO COMPLAIN ABOUT THE RECENT SUSPENSION OF FRESH AND CHILLED BEEF IMPORTS BY FRANCE, ITALY, BELGIUM AND LUXEMBOURG (THOUGH URUGUAY'S BEEF EXPORTS TO EUROPE ARE PRIMARILY FROZEN).

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4. DESPITE ALL THE BALLYHOU, THERE REMAINS CONSIDERABLE SKEPTICISM HERE ABOUT THE PURPOSES OF THIS MEETING AND WHAT IT MAY BE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH. IT IS FEARED THAT THE EC IS BECOMING MORE PROTECTIONIST IN REACTION TO THE OIL CRISIS.

5. THE ANNOUNCEMENT THAT A CUBAN DELEGATION WOULD PARTICIPATE CAUSED A FUROR AMONG RIGHTIST CIRCLES AND CONTRIBUTED TO PRESIDENT BORDABERRY'S DECISION NOT TO MAKE AN APPEARANCE AT THE CONFERENCE.
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